GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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CASES OF HIV/AIDS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the National Commission for Women has investigated into the alleged incident of stoning to death of a woman affected by HIV/AIDS in Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) The action taken on the recommendation of the National Commission for Women?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATIKANTI SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Commission for Women (NCW) made a suo moto enquiry into the case of a woman suffering from HIV/AIDS being allegedly stoned to death in Kuppam village in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh on 3rd July 2003. The investigation did not find any corroboration of the reports about stoning or poisoning of the woman. The Commission had made several recommendations mainly with regard to the working of the AIDS control programme and for more sensitive dealing of AIDS victim by all agencies.

(c) The Government has forwarded a copy of the report of NCW to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for taking necessary action.